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The reply filed on June 29, 2004 is not fully responsive to the Office action mailed September 24, 2003 because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): Applicant's response does not comply with the revised amendment practice of 37 CFR 1.121. Applicant has amended several paragraphs of the specification. However, while the amendments show the marked changes, the full text of the replacement paragraphs were not presented for paragraphs [0074], [0076], [0077], [0080], [0081], and [0083], as required. Further, regarding paragraph [0065]: this paragraph appears as one of the paragraphs in the section for specification amendments. However, markings showing the changes do not appear. The paragraph is much shorter than the paragraph in the original specification. In the remarks section, Applicant indicates that the first sentence of paragraph [0065] was included for the Examiner's convenience (response, page 3). However, the paragraph should not be included in the section presenting amendments to the specification if no amendments are intended. Applicant also requested clarity of the Examiner's concern regarding this paragraph. After further review, the Examiner withdraws the objection to paragraph [0065].

Furthermore, Applicant is reminded for further submissions that each section of an amendment document (e.g., specification amendments, claim amendments, remarks, etc.) must begin on a separate sheet. Page 3 of the response submitted June 29, 2004 has parts of different sections. Finally, as the specification amendments are the only section of the response submitted June 29, 2004 that is not in compliance with 37 CFR 1.121, Applicant should not re-submit amendments to other sections of the application. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be bona fide, Applicant is given ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Any inquiry concerning this or earlier communications from the Examiner should be directed to Ashwin Mehta, whose telephone number is 571-272-0803. The Examiner can normally be reached from 8:00 A.M to 5:30 P.M. If attempts to reach the Examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the Examiner's supervisor, Amy Nelson, can be reached at 571-272-0804. The fax phone numbers for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned are 703-872-9306 for regular communications and 703-872-9307 for After Final communications. Information regarding the status of an application may be obtained from the Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system. Status information for published applications may be obtained from either Private PAIR or Public PAIR. Status information for unpublished applications is available through Private PAIR only. For more information about the PAIR system, see <http://pair-direct.uspto.gov>. Should you have questions on access to the Private PAIR system, contact the Electronic Business Center (EBC) at 866-217-9197 (toll-free).

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